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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33 (b).
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Applicant(s): Mathew Richard PALMER et al.

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Title of Invention: TAPE PRINTING APPARATUS AND TAPE HOLDING CASES

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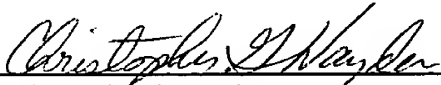
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- ☒ Priority of Application Nos. 9621379.8 filed on October 14, 1996 and 9717933.7 filed on August 22, 1997, both in the United Kingdom is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
- ☒ The certified copies of the priority applications have been filed in Application No. 09/180,502, filed November 12, 1998 (the parent in this application 09/657,264 was a divisional of 09/180,502).
- ☒ This is a divisional of Application No. 09/657,264 filed September 7, 2000.

- ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Esselte N.V., a company having a place of business at Industriepark-Noord 30, 9100 Sint-Niklaas, Belgium, by assignment recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 12, 1998 at Reel 9625, Frame 0132.
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